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A system and method are described for spacing objects within a constraint. In one embodiment, data that defines the constraint and a set of spacing parameters that indicate how to space objects across the constraint are received. Further, a grid type from a plurality of grid types is selected. Each such grid type is associated with one or more grid attributes. A grid of the selected grid type is then mapped onto the constraint.

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